

## St Gabriel's RC High School Uniform Policy 2023-2024

We take great pride in the appearance and conduct of our pupils both whilst in school and whilst representing our school in the local area. Upholding our school's strong reputation by ensuring we are all dressed smartly and appropriately is of great importance to all stakeholders, and serves to prepare young people for future education and employment.

School uniform is to be worn by all pupils, and serves to support our mission statement – **'We are an inclusive Catholic family'** – by reflecting the equality of opportunity afforded to every young person within our school community.

We are grateful to our supportive families for ensuring their children have the correct items in accordance with this policy, all of which can be purchased from our listed suppliers (please find these details at the end of this document). Suppliers often provide discounts on school uniform in the summer term of each academic year (June - July). We have noted where items are also available from other high street retailers.

Students' uniform is checked by Form Teachers each morning, with positive 'Mission Points' awarded to those dressed in accordance with our expectations. Negative points are issued to students not adhering to the uniform policy, and staff have the right to confiscate prohibited items if appropriate. In very rare cases where students repeatedly contravene our uniform standards, Form Teachers will contact parents/carers to discuss what support is required.

### School Uniform:

Only available from uniform suppliers	Also available from other high street retailers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy blazer with school logo.</li> <li>• Year group coloured tie.</li> <li>• Navy pinafore with school logo (must be at least knee length).</li> <li>• Navy V-neck jumper with school logo (<b>optional</b>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plain white closed neck shirt.</li> <li>• Black tailored trousers.</li> <li>• Black tailored shorts (knee length).</li> <li>• Plain black, white or navy socks (below the knee or ankle) or opaque black or navy tights.</li> <li>• Plain black school shoes.</li> <li>• Plain white or cream apron.</li> <li>• Plain navy pinafore without school logo (must be at least knee length).</li> <li>• Navy V-neck jumper without school logo (<b>optional</b>).</li> <li>• Navy, black or reflective outdoor coats (<b>optional</b>).</li> </ul>

### **Prohibited Items – Students must not wear:**

- Fashion trousers or shorts (e.g. jeans, chinos, leggings, lycra).
- Skirts.
- Other jumpers or tops (e.g. hooded jumpers, sports tops, branded jumpers).
- Trainers, leisure shoes or pumps.

### PE Kit:

Only available from uniform suppliers	Also available from other high street retailers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Polo shirt with school logo.</li> <li>• Shorts or skort with school logo.</li> <li>• Tracksuit bottoms or leggings (<b>optional</b>).</li> <li>• Hooded sports jumper with school logo (<b>optional</b>).</li> <li>• Printed initials on all items of kit for labelling/identification (<b>optional</b>).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White sports socks.</li> <li>• Navy blue football socks.</li> <li>• Shin pads.</li> <li>• Gum shield.</li> <li>• Sports trainers for indoor lessons.</li> <li>• Astroturf or football boots for outdoor lessons.</li> <li>• Navy blue or black baselayers / skins (<b>optional</b>).</li> </ul>

### **Prohibited Items – Students must not wear:**

- Any other branded sports or active wear.
- Leisure shoes or pumps.
- All jewellery must be removed.

Every pupil must wear their full PE kit for every lesson, even if they are not able to practically take part. Their PE teacher will assign them a role in line with the National Curriculum, enabling them to take part without impact on illness or injury (e.g. official, referee, coach, leader). In cases where illness or injury is long-term and/or substantial, impacting on any participation in PE lessons, families must contact the Head of PE to discuss alternative provision.

### **General Appearance:**

- Students are welcome to wear a wristwatch and one small pair of studded earrings.
- Any application of makeup must look natural and be subtle.
- We celebrate our students wearing badges issued by school on the lapel of their blazers (e.g. Rewards badges, subject ambassador badges, student leadership badges).
- Hair colours must be natural and styles should be neat and tidy, with no extremes or patterns.
- Should your daughter choose to wear a hijab, it must be of a plain design without any colour trim in navy or black.
- Students are expected to have a practical, weatherproof bag for books and equipment.

### **Prohibited:**

- Hooped earrings, dropped earrings and stretchers cannot be worn for safety reasons.
- Visible bracelets and chains cannot be worn for safety reasons.
- Heavily applied makeup.
- Colourful nail varnish.
- Badges not issued by school.
- Unnatural hair colours.

**If there is any doubt regarding acceptable uniform or any temporary problems of availability arise, parents / carers should contact school as soon as possible.**

### **Uniform Suppliers:**

#### Monkhouses Schoolwear

86 The Rock  
Bury BL9 0PJ [0161 764 4320](tel:01617644320)

#### Murrays Family Clothing

26 Bridge Street  
Ramsbottom BL0 9AQ [01706 281812](tel:01706281812)

#### PTs School Wear

Bury Market Hall  
14 Market Parade  
Bury BL4 0QE [0161 761 1365](tel:01617611365)

#### PTs School Wear

7 New Road  
Radcliffe  
Manchester M26 1LS [0161 723 0991](tel:01617230991)

Please check opening hours as they may alter in less busy periods.